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Billy Butcher, Wee Hughie, Mother's Milk, The Frenchman and The Female are The Boys: a CIA-backed team of very dangerous people, each one dedicated to the struggle against the most lethal force on Earth- superpower. Some superheroes have to be watched. Some have to be controlled. And some of them- sometimes- need to be taken out of the picture.

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OVER THE HILL WITH THE SWORDS OF A THOUSAND MEN

part one

COME ON THEN, TERROR.

OFF WE GO, MATE.

AH, FUCK.

JUST KEEP HIM AWAY FROM ME.

WE ALWAYS DO, MISTER PRESIDENT.

NO, YOU ALWAYS TRY. BUT SOMEHOW THE LITTLE GOON BREAKS THROUGH THE DEFENSES...OH, I'M GETTING A HEADACHE JUST THINKING ABOUT HIM...

TOP DRAWER, SIR.

ISN'T THE WHOLE IDEA TO KEEP THE PRESIDENT AND THE VICE-PRESIDENT APART AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE? ISN'T THAT ONE OF THE BASIC SECURITY PRECEPTS?

NOT ALWAYS THAT SIMPLE, SIR. HIS OFFICE IS IN THE SAME BUILDING, AFTER ALL.

YES, BUT...OH, WELL.

WHAT'S THIS CIRCUS ACT THIS MORNING AGAIN?

AH, YOU'RE NOT FAR OFF THE MARK, MISTER PRESIDENT. THE ASSOCIATION OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL PETS.

SPECIAL? RETARDED?

JUST UNUSUAL. A KID WITH AN ARMADILLO. A LITTLE GIRL WITH A PEREGRINE FALCON.

THESE DAYS IT ALWAYS SEEMS TO MEAN RETARDED.

WHAT'S THE DOG CALLED AGAIN?

MM? OH. MISTER FUZZY-BUZZY, SIR.

MISTER FUZZY-BUZZY...

SPEAKING OF SECURITY, HAS THERE BEEN ANY PROGRESS ON...?

OH, LORD.

I'M SORRY, SIR.

OUR INVESTIGATION INTO THE SECRET SERVICE HAS GONE ABOUT AS FAR AS IT CAN. I CAN SAY WITH COMPLETE CERTAINTY THAT WE'VE MANAGED TO BLOCK RED RIVER PERSONNEL FROM GETTING ONTO YOUR DETAIL--BECAUSE WE'VE HAD TO GET SO PARANOID IN OUR PROCEDURES THAT ***NO ONE'S*** BEEN ALLOWED TO JOIN YOUR DETAIL FOR OVER A YEAR.

AS FOR THE AGENTS ALREADY ON THE JOB, WELL, WE'RE AT THE POINT WHERE ANY ACCUSATIONS WE MIGHT MAKE WOULD BE ON EXTREMELY SHAKY LEGAL GROUND. SOMEONE SUCCESSFULLY CONTENDS A DISMISSAL...AND THE REASONS GO PUBLIC...

THE HOUSE OF CARDS COMES TUMBLING DOWN.

I AM SORRY, MISTER PRESIDENT. ALL WE CAN DO IS KEEP SWITCHING PEOPLE AROUND--WHICH NO ONE LIKES, OF COURSE, BECAUSE IT MAKES A MESS OF UNIT COHESION. BUT AT LEAST VOUGHT CAN'T MAKE ANY CONCRETE PLANS.

THAT'S OUR ONE CONSOLATION, THAT THEY'RE PROBABLY JUST AS FRUSTRATED AS WE ARE...

DOUBTFUL.

"THEY ONLY HAVE TO GET LUCKY ONCE, REMEMBER. IT DOES VERY LITTLE FOR YOUR PEACE OF MIND, KNOWING THAT THE MEN ASSIGNED TO WATCH YOUR BACK HAVE A VESTED INTEREST IN ***NOT*** TAKING A BULLET FOR THEIR PRESIDENT."

OR EVEN IN FIRING THE DAMN THING THEMSELVES...

THEY'D ***NEVER*** GO THAT FAR, MISTER PRESIDENT--!

NO?

OH FOR CHRIST'S SAKE, ***YOU*** THROW THE STICK AND ***HE*** FETCHES IT! AT LEAST GET THAT MUCH RIGHT!

HHHH.

THEY CAN TRAIN HIM TO SPEAK, YOU'D THINK THEY COULD FIX THE REST OF HIM AT THE SAME TIME...

MUTHAFUCK!

GODDAMN FUCKIN' BITCH! FUCK!

LAIT DE LA MERE--!

FUCK! FUCK!

FUCKIN' WHORE!!

I'M'A KILL YOU! FUCKIN' KILL YOU, CUNT!

RRRAAAAAAHHHH!!!

JINGS.

WELL, FRED REALLY IS QUITE SOMETHING, ISN'T HE, REBECCA?

FANK OO, MISTER PWESIDENT.

YOU MUST BE VERY PROUD OF HIM. THANK YOU FOR BRINGING HIM ALONG TODAY.

'ES, MISTER PWESIDENT.

AND WHO DO WE HAVE HERE...?

I'M TOMMY AND THIS IS MY WOLVERINE, *TOMMY!*

GRRRAAAARRROOOOWWWWRRRRR

YOU NAMED HIM AFTER... YOU KNOW, HE DOESN'T LOOK VERY HAPPY, DOES HE?

GGRRRRAAAARRRRR

I THINK MAYBE WE'LL JUST LEAVE HIM IN HIS BOX FOR NOW...

GGGRRAAAAOOOOWWWWRRRR

BUT HE CERTAINLY IS AN IMPRESSIVE ANIMAL, YOU MUST BE VERY PROUD OF HIM...

MISTER FUZZY-BUZZY?

WHAT'S AFTER THIS?

GENERAL BUTLER, SIR. THIS MONTH'S FIGURES.

FROM THE LOOK ON YOUR FACE...

NINETY-EIGHT K.I.A.. NEARLY TWICE THAT WOUNDED.

OH, GOD. I DON'T SUPPOSE ANY OF THAT'S IN ACCIDENTS?

NO, SIR. THAT WOULD PUT US AROUND THE HUNDRED AND TWENTY MARK.

JESUS.

I WISH THERE WAS SOMETHING WE COULD DO TO MASSAGE THE FIGURES. EVERY TIME THERE'S BAD NEWS FROM PAKISTAN, THE VOUGHT AGENDA GETS PUSHED THAT BIT FURTHER UP THE FLAGPOLE.

NO ONE INTELLIGENT WANTS THE SEVEN DEPLOYED IN A WAR ZONE, MISTER PRESIDENT...

MISTER FUZZY-BUZZY?

GGGRRROOOOOWWWW

THAT ABOUT SUMS IT UP.

LOOK AT HIM, WILL YOU? THE REPUBLICAN TICKET FOR OH-EIGHT.

HIM AND A BAG OF DOGSHIT. GOT TO THINK ABOUT TWENTY-SIXTEEN.

OKAY, EVERYONE, THANKS FOR BRINGING ALL YOUR WONDERFUL PETS TO VISIT THE WHITE HOUSE. IT'S BEEN TERRIFFIC MEETING THEM--AND YOU.

MISTER FUZZY-BUZZY...

GGRRRR?

I HAVE TO GO RIGHT NOW, BUT BE SURE AND ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR VISIT...THERE'S PLENTY MORE TO...TO...

WHAT THE HELL IS HE DOING?

GRRRRAAAARRRR!!!

F

GGRRRAAARROOOOWWWRRRR

AAAAAAAHH!

JESUS!

GGRRRRR!
GGGRRRRR!

AAAH--AAK--
AAAAAAAHH--

NO-NO-NO, YOU'LL HIT HIM! YOU'LL HIT THE KIDS!

OUT! EVERYBODY OUT!

OH MY GOD--!

TOMMY!

CODE RED, RECEPTION ROOM! ROWDY YATES IS DOWN! ROWDY YATES IS DOWN!

LITTLE SON OF A--

GGRRRR!!

NOW! NOW! GET IT!

GGRROOW--!

GGGRRRRRRRRRR...!

HOLY FUCKING SHIT--

OH GOD.

OH GOD.

I...

STEVE!

I GUESS YOU TWO WEREN'T RED RIVER...

NO, WE WEREN'T FUCKING GODDAMNED RED RIVER!!

SOMEONE STICK A BOTTLE IN THE PAPER RECYCLIN'?
NO...
LEAVE A LOAD O' DISHES IN THE SINK?
NON.
FORGET TO BUY BOG ROLL?
NON.
SO WHAT THE FUCK'S WRONG WITH HIM, THEN?
IT HONESTLY WASN'T ANYTHIN' LIKE THAT, HE WENT ABSOLUTELY FUCKIN' MENTAL...
HE AIN'T PICKIN' UP AN' HE AIN'T CALLED. FRENCHIE, CAN YOU GET INTO HIS EMAIL?
BIEN SUR.
D'YOU THINK SOMEBODY SENT HIM SOMETHIN'?
YOU SAID HE WAS ONLINE AT THE TIME, DIDN'T YOU?
PASSWORD'S BIGOLTITTIES, ALL ONE WORD.
OH, DID HE TELL YOU IT?
NO.
OH, SHIT. TRY THAT ONE, QUEENBEE AT MAC DOT COM.

HOOKED ON HOES

Angelica Vadge
Jana Sin
Julius Kong

FUCK.

WHAT...?

WELL, THE USELESS FUCKIN' CRACKHEAD CUNT SLAG HANGIN' OFF THE DICKHEAD-- THAT'S HIS WIFE.

AN' THE OTHER ONE--

AW NO, THAT'S JANINE! THAT'S HIS WEE GIRL!

THE DIRTY FUCKIN' SLAPPER'S GOT HER DOIN' MOTHER-DAUGHTER PORN.

OH, MON PAUVRE AMI...

NO WONDER HE LOST THE BLOODY HEAD!

FUCKIN' STUPID FUCKIN' WHORE.

I CAN'T BE HAVIN' THIS.

NOT NOW. NOT WITH THE FUCKIN' SEVEN ABOUT TO BOIL OVER.

I NEED HIM SWITCHED ON, NOT RUNNIN' AROUND TRYNNA SORT OUT BOLLOCKS LIKE THIS...

BE BACK TOMORROW. BELL ME IF HE TURNS UP.

HUGHIE, NIP OUTSIDE AN' GRAB ALL THE STUFF FROM HIS DESK, WILL YOU?

YOU WANT ME TO PICK UP A LOAD O' *LITTER*...?

I WANT YOU TO PICK UP TWELVE BLEEDIN' YEARS' WORTH O' GOD KNOWS FUCKIN' WHAT. BUT IF YOU'RE ALL RIGHT WITH SOME HIPSTER TWAT READIN' ALL ABOUT STORMFRONT'S LITTLE HOLIDAY IN NEW ORLEANS--YOU JUST STAY HERE AN' SIT ON YER ARSE.

GET ON WITH IT...!

UH... AYE...

GLAD TO HEAR IT.

END OF.

DAY OF MOURNING FOLLOWS BIZARRE ATTACK

V.P. NEUMANN TO BE SWORN IN IMMEDIATELY

UNCONFIRMED REPORT: CREATURE'S OWNERS REGISTERED DEMOCRATS

FOX NEWS SPECIAL PRESENTATION

...THE BEST THERE IS AT WHAT HE DOES, IS THAT SUPPOSED TO BE FUNNY?

GLAD WE AGREE.

NO, WE'RE NOT GOING TO SAY ANYTHING FOR THE NEXT SEVENTY-TWO HOURS, NOT BEYOND EXPRESSING OUR PROFOUND SHOCK. WE DON'T WANT ***VIC THE VEEP*** AND ***VOUGHT-AMERICAN*** EVEN APPEARING IN THE SAME SENTENCE.

THERE'S A TIME AND A PLACE. OURS WILL COME ONCE THE DUST HAS SETTLED.

BECAUSE AT THIS EXACT MOMENT EVERYONE IS TENSING, NOT LEAST OF ALL BUTCHER AND COMPANY, AND I DON'T WANT TO PRE-EMPT--YOU'LL HAVE TO EXCUSE ME, I HAVE THE OTHER LINE.

MS. BRADLEY?

MM-HM. YES.

WELL, YES, IN THAT SENSE IT IS GOOD NEWS. IT'S PRECISELY THE OUTCOME WE WERE PLANNING FOR, AFTER ALL.

BUT...

IT'S JUST THAT... I'M NOT ONE TO LOOK A GIFT HORSE IN THE MOUTH, BUT THE FACT IS THAT A COMPLEX AND EXPENSIVE PARAMILITARY OPERATION HAS BEEN RENDERED UNNECESSARY BY THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF A HALFWIT AND A CARNIVOROUS MAMMAL.

I ACTUALLY FEEL CHEATED. IF YOU CAN BELIEVE THAT.

YES, IT IS UNLIKE ME. WELCOME TO THE WORLD OF PRESIDENT THE VEEP.

A PRACTICAL POINT: I WAS JUST POINTING OUT TO A RED RIVER COLLEAGUE THAT THIS COULD BE A DANGEROUS TIME. I'D LIKE YOU TO BRING IN TEAM TITANIC AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

MERELY SECURITY. IF ANYONE DOES JUMP THE GUN, I'D LIKE A LITTLE MORE THAN A FAST RESPONSE UNIT BETWEEN ME AND OBLIVION.

STILL ON FOR BRUNCH TOMORROW?

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WONDERFUL.

YOUR TRIPLE STOLI, O DUCHESS OF ALL THAT--

GIVE.

SHOULD I FUCK OFF NOW, MY--

MM.

OH, MY LADY, JUST TO BE *TOLD* TO FUCK OFF BY--

MM.

...PHRASE USED WAS *ONE FOR ONE.* WHICH EFFECTIVELY EQUATES THE LIFE OF ONE OF THE SEVEN WITH THAT OF A *DOG.*

DUDE, AFTER THE SHIT HE SAID TO YOU, WHAT DO YOU THINK HE WAS WORTH?

THAT IS *NOT* THE POINT.

THERE ARE CLEARLY OTHER PRIORITIES. *HIGHER* PRIORITIES. OUR LEADER'S PLANS MUST SOON BEAR FRUIT; TODAY'S EVENTS WILL CREATE THE *PERFECT CLIMATE.*

IN TIMES LIKE *THESE*...WHAT ARE *ANY OF US* WORTH...?

ARE YOU SAYING WE SHOULD GET OUT?

I AM SAYING WE SHOULD *BEWARE.*

DUDE, WHY DON'T YOU JUST TAKE YOUR HELMET OFF--?

I *CANNOT*-- MM--

THE *ANCIENT ATLANTEAN CURSE* THAT--

FORGET I ASKED...

I AM SAYING THAT WE ARE NOW THE *SIX*...

SHUT UP.

THAT SOON, WHO KNOWS, WE MAY BECOME THE *FIVE*... THE *FOUR*...

SHUT UP, FOR CHRIST'S SAKE.

OH, I FORGOT YOU TWO WERE HERE.

FIND YOURSELVES SOMETHING TO DO, WILL YOU? I'M GOING TO NEED THE ROOM.

YOU BET.

OH, YOU MIGHT RUN INTO OUR GUESTS, BY THE WAY. POINT THEM IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION IF YOU SEE THEM.

NO PROBLEM.

WHAT A PAIR OF TOOLS.

MY, MY.

HEADS UP, HOMELANDER...!

OH, THERE YOU ARE. GET A LITTLE LOST, DID WE?

LOST? YA THINK WE CAN'T FIND OUR WAY FROM--

IT'S JUST THAT YOU WERE COMING FROM COMPLETELY THE WRONG DIRECTION. WHICH MEANS YOU MUST HAVE TURNED LEFT INSTEAD OF RIGHT OUT OF THE ARRIVAL BAY, AND CIRCLED THE ENTIRE BASE.

YA KNOW YER TALKIN' ABOUT...

TROJAN!

ASTROGLIDE!

LADY ARKLITE!

STRAP-ON!

STOPCOCK!

THE TRUNCHEON!

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING...?

PUT 'EM TOGETHER, AN' YOU GOT--

I KNOW WHO YOU ARE, FOR CHRIST'S SAKE. I INVITED YOU HERE, DIDN'T I?

STOP STANDING THERE LIKE FUCKING LUNATICS AND COME AND SIT DOWN, YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE ME A MIGRAINE...

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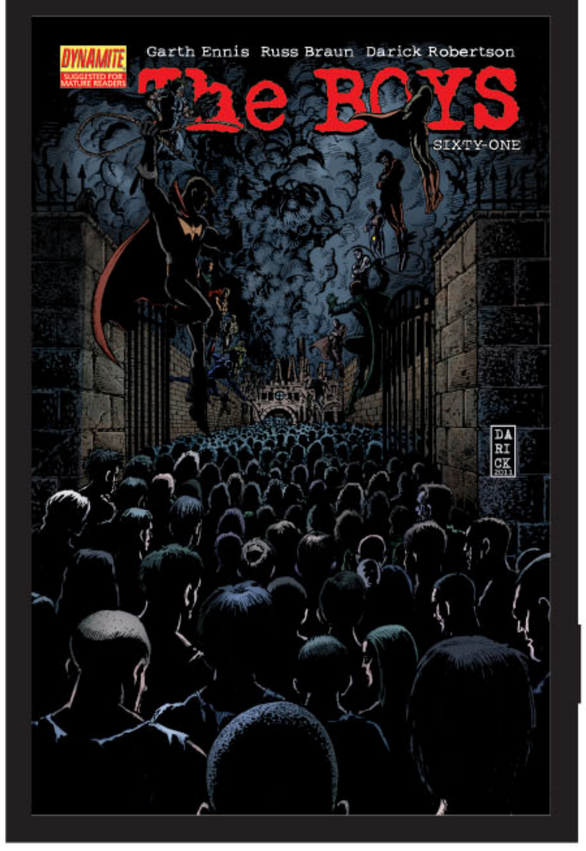

As stormclouds gather, Vought-American enlist the mighty Team Titanic, but the Boys find themselves up against another super group entirely. Hughie finds Annie's patience running thin, while MM struggles to resolve an embarrassing family crisis without alerting the rest of the team. Meanwhile the Seven begin to fall apart, in part two of Over the Hill with the Swords of a Thousand Men.

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GLENN WRITES: Just have to say I am loving the various Warlord titles. Am a big Burroughs fan and nice to find a well done comic based on his work. Anyways, just want to say thank you. I've been away from comics since late 70's (middle school) but finding the Dynamite stuff has got me hooked. Looking forward to seeing how Danger Girl and Army of Darkness is..

Thanks Glenn... you saw our recent news about Lord of the Jungle, yes? We can only assume that makes you and even happier reader and that makes us a happier publisher!

MATT WRITES: Warlord of Mars is one of the best comics out there. I just read issue #10 and the art is the best I've seen so far in the series! Stephen Sadowski and Shane Rooks are great. Please keep them around for future issues.

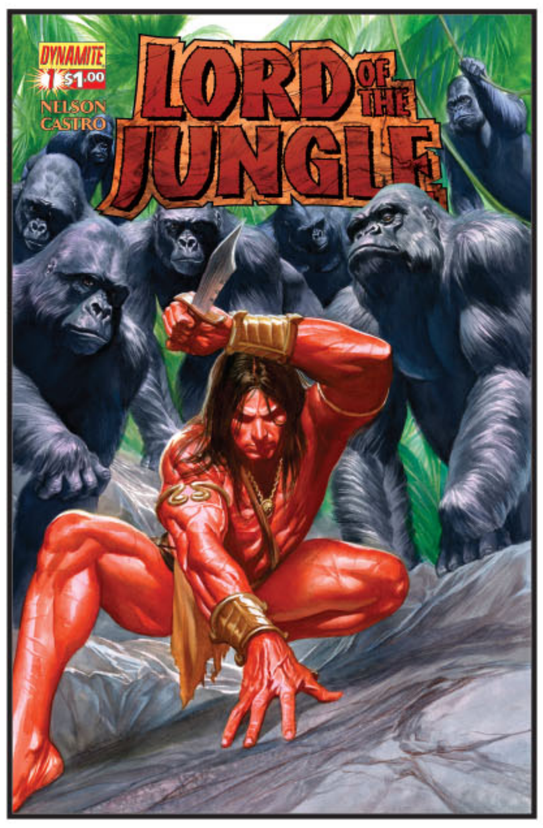
Steve and Shane are with us until issue #12 and then we kick off a brand new arc... joining us starting with issue #13 will be artist Edgar Salazar! It's gonna be great.

DYNAMITE IN THE NEWS:

DYNAMITE ON TWITTER!

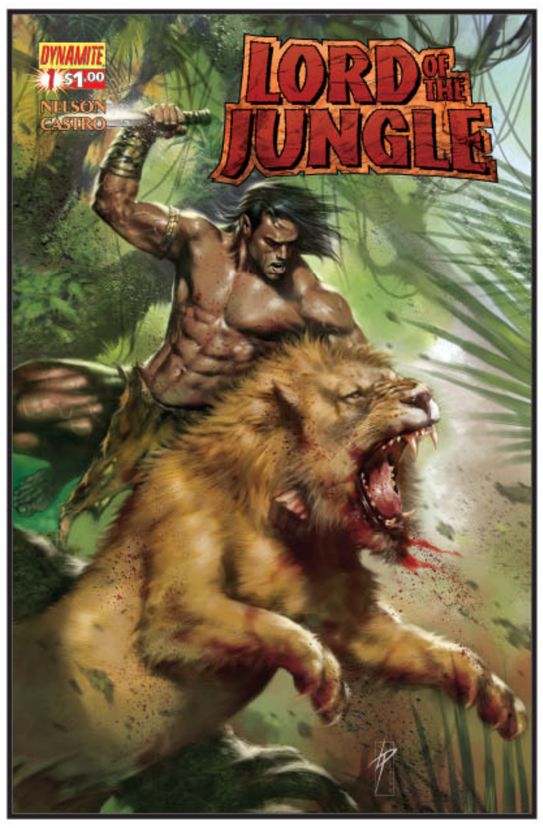
We're putting in a renewed effort to get the Dynamite word out hour by hour via Twitter, check it:
twitter.com/DynamiteComics
Thanks to everyone who's followed us in the last couple of weeks, let's keep it going!

LORD OF THE JUNGLE BEGINS IN DECEMBER! EXPANSION OF EDGAR RICE BURROUGH'S CLASSIC TALE!



The original Lord of the Jungle returns! Dynamite is proud to announce the December release of *Lord of the Jungle*! Dynamite's Lord of the Jungle is true to Edgar Rice Burroughs original tale, savage, violent, and uncensored for the first time in its 100 year history! We are so proud and excited about this book, that we are offering the first FULL issue for the introductory price of just $1.00!

Based on the classic Edgar Rice Burroughs adventure story, Tarzan of the Apes, the first of his famous series, which initially began publication in All Story Magazine in 1912. The saga of Greystoke begins in December, written by Arvid Nelson and illustrated by Roberto Castro, and featuring covers by Alex Ross, Lucio Parillo, Ryan Sook, and Paul Renaud!



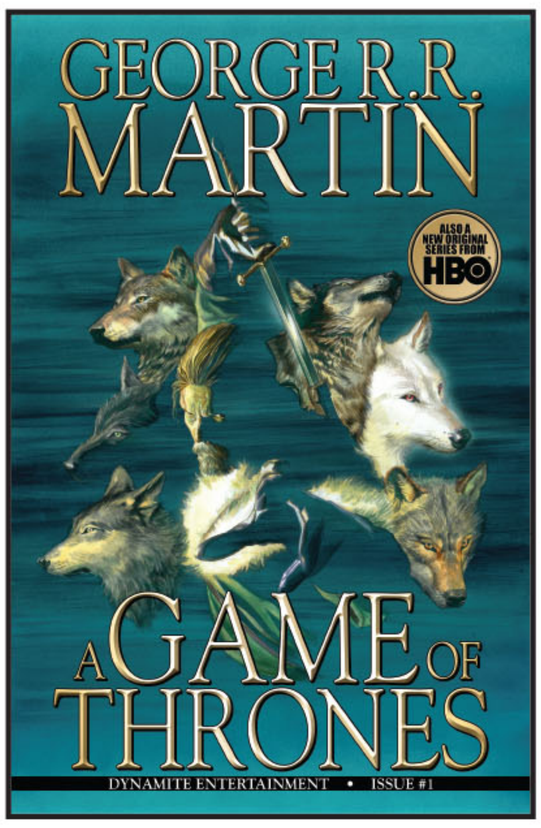
"Tarzan's DNA is in everything from super heroes to space epics," says writer Arvid Nelson. "But I was surprised at how little I knew about him, because the many adaptations wander very far from the original character. His true story is so much deeper and more interesting -- that's we're trying to bring to life in Lord of the Jungle."

"To allow the series to be accessible to fans old and new, we are offering the first issue at the Introductory Price of $1.00 for the full ENTIRE 32 page comic, as well as dedicating both of the Dynamite front gate folds of the October shipping Previews Magazine to our launch," says Dynamite Entertainment President and Publisher Nick Barrucci. "Get on board for the biggest comic book launch this December!"

DYNAMITE REVIEWS

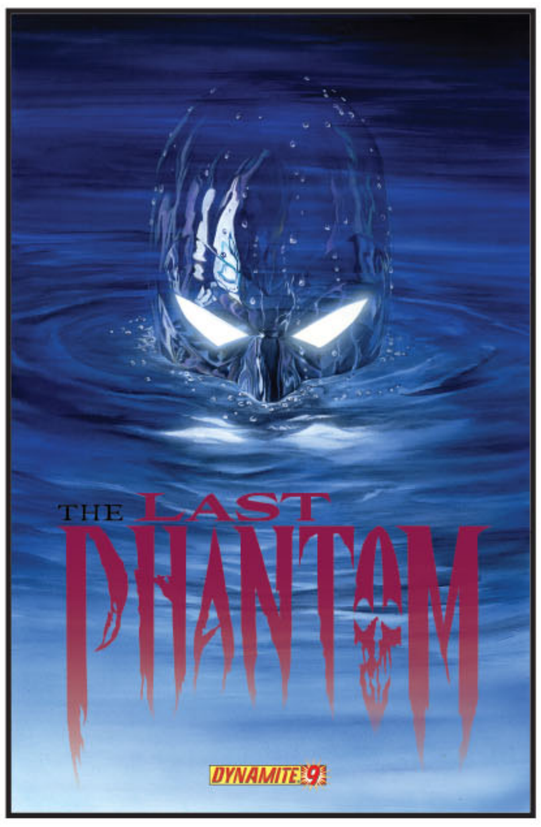
A GAME OF THRONES #1
(MAJORSPOILERS.COM): "I think fans of the book and television series will enjoy this reading as well!"

A GAME OF THRONES #1
(GEEKSOFDOOM.COM): "I would easily give this series to both comic and non-comic fans alike. I truly loved this adaptation!"



A GAME OF THRONES #1
(BROKENFRONTIER.COM): "Overall, the creative team delivers an enjoyable adaption of the start of George R. R. Martin's expansive fantasy series.

THE LAST PHANTOM #9
(GEEKSOFDOOM.COM): "All around, a great comic. As I said, if you don't normally read The Last Phantom, this isn't a great issue to start with, but track down at least the previous two issues. They're worth the time and money!"

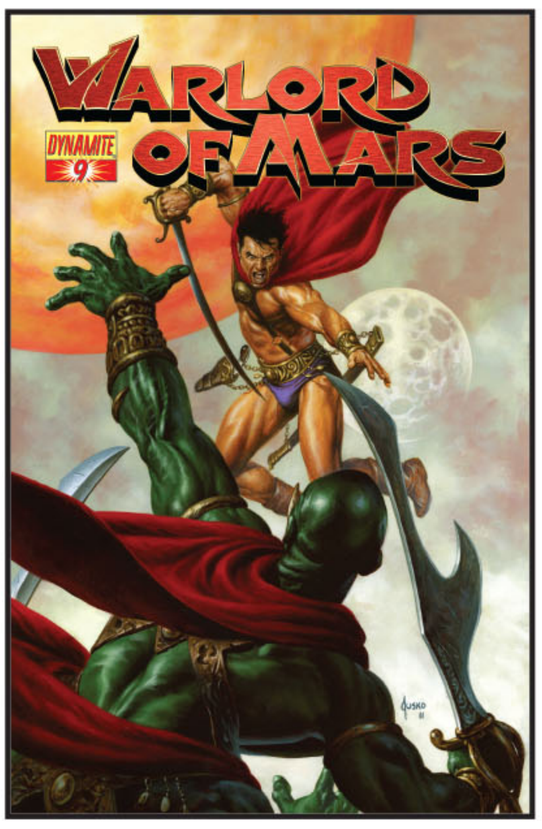


THE LAST PHANTOM #9
(CHRONICLEFORUM.COM): "Overall, very nice! Things are heating up action wise, the scripting is nicely paced, and Phantom lore is being dished out in tantalising drips and drabs!"

TERMINATOR/ROBOCOP: KILL HUMAN #3
(PROJECTFANBOY.COM): "You got Robocop in my Terminator! No, you got your Terminator in my Robocop! What, no one else remembers that commercial? Well, either way, the punch line is the same: two great tastes that taste great together!"

WARLORD OF MARS #10
(WEEKLYCOMICBOOKREVIEW.COM) : The plotting and counter-plotting has my interest and this issue did what a starting book in an arc should do, which is launch a story with enough momentum to get the reader to want to follow the arc. Artwise, Sadowski brought some different visions to the series. His pyramids and the lair of the Therns were intriguing, as was the hurtling flight of Carthoris and Tars Tarkas across the Martian wastes.

ROBERT JORDAN'S WHEEL OF TIME: EYE OF THE WORLD #13
(NEWSARAMA.COM "The book's dialogue comes out strong and in your face. You get the characters and their voices and the situation they are up against."

THE BOYS: BUTCHER, BAKER, CANDLESTICKMAKER #3
(COMICBOOKRESOURCES.COM): "The first two issues were good and this one was fantastic. A pity we all know this happiness does not last so thanks to all for giving us at least this one entire issue to smile along with!"

WARLORD OF MARS #9
(WEEKLYCOMICBOOKREVIEW.COM) : "Definitely buy Warlord of Mars #9 if you've got the rest. If you don't have the rest, I highly recommend the trade when it's out. Dynamite is doing some great work on Barsoom. Put on your hard hats and come on over!"